

REMARKS

Applicant requests favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1-13, 25-42, 44-50, and 53-57 are pending in this application, with Claims 1, 13, 25, 37, 40-42, 46, and 47 being independent. Claims 1-13, 25-36, and 48-50 have been allowed.

By this Amendment, Applicant has amended Claims 1, 13, 25, 37, 40-42, 46, 47, 53, and 55. Applicant submits that support for the amendments can be found in the original disclosure, and that the changes to the allowed claims do not affect their allowability.

Claims 53-57 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has amended those claims to attend to the matter noted in the Office Action as giving rise to the rejection. Accordingly, Applicant requests withdrawal of the § 112 rejection.

Claims 37-42, 44-47, and 53-57 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,061,700 (Brobst, et al.). Applicant traverses this rejection.

As generally recited in independent Claims 37, 40, and 41, Applicant's invention is directed to a system of printing one or more printable pages of data originating from one or more web-sites. The system involves providing a predetermined number representing a total number of printable pages, and determining whether the number of pages of data selected from one or more web-sites to be printed exceeds the predetermined number of printable pages of data. In addition, the system involves printing one or more of the selected pages of data up to the predetermined number of printable pages of data, if it is determined that the number of selected

printable pages of data exceeds the predetermined number of pages of data, and otherwise printing each of the selected pages of data.

As generally recited in independent Claim 42, 46, and 47, Applicant's invention is directed to printing data originating from one or more web-sites. The system includes providing a predetermined number representing a total number of web-sites, and determining whether the number of web-sites selected from the web-sites that a user has previously been connected to exceeds the predetermined number of web-sites. Also, the system involves printing the pages of data from the one or more of the selected web-sites up to the predetermined number of web-sites, if it is determined that the number of selected web-sites exceeds the predetermined number of web-sites, and otherwise printing the printable pages of data from each of the selected web-sites.

Consequently, in each of the independent claims discussed above, the invention involves setting a predetermined number representing a total number of pages or web-sites and then determining whether the selected number of pages or web-sites to be printed exceeds that predetermined number. If the number exceeds the predetermined number, only a number of pages or web-sites up to the predetermined number is printed. Consequently, a limit is set on the pages or web-sites to be printed at a given time.

Brobst, et al. is directed to formatting a specified group of related web pages into a single page. The Office Action cites column 5, lines 49-67, of that patent as suggesting certain features of the present invention. The Office Action also cites Brobst, et al. as collecting and selecting for printing related web pages that are within a predetermined number of nesting levels (see column 5, lines 11-67, and column 6, lines 1-64).

Applicant submits that these sections, among others, discuss determining the depth, into a nesting tree of web pages, to which the formatting mechanism reaches to find

related URLs. The “depth” refers to the links to other web-sites in each page. For example, Brobst, et al. discusses that if a user chooses a first selected web page 411 (see Figure 4) and defines a relation criteria of two nesting levels to collect related URLs, the related URLs will include the URLs for links provided in the first selected web page 411 and the URLs for the links contained in each of those web pages directly linked to the first selected web page 411. Thus, in the example shown in Figure 4, for a set nesting level of two, eight pages will be included in the single web page (see Figure 4).

Also, Applicant notes that Brobst, et al. describes that if a user chooses a first selected web page and a particular number of nesting levels to collect a group of URLs, the user can choose to print all of the associated URLs together. Thus, all of the URLs related to a predetermined nesting level are included in a single web page for printing. In this regard, the set nesting level is not a predetermined number which equals the number of printable pages permitted.

Applicant submits that defining a nesting level criteria is different from, and does not suggest, the feature of the present invention of providing a predetermined number representing a total number of printable pages or web-sites that can be printed. More specifically, the above-discussed sections of Brobst, et al. do not suggest limiting the number of pages that can be printed in any single printing call. Instead, Brobst, et al. discusses determining the URLs to be included in a single web page, based on a set nesting level, and allowing a user to print that group.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that Brobst, et al. fails to disclose or suggest at least the features of providing a predetermined number representing a total number of printable pages and printing one or more of the selected printable pages of data up to the predetermined

number of printable pages, if it is determined that the number of selected printable pages of data exceeds the predetermined number of printable pages of data, as recited in independent Claims 37, 40, and 41; Applicant also submits that that document fails to disclose or suggest the features of providing a predetermined number representing a total number of web-sites and printing the printable pages of data from one or more of the selected web-sites up to the predetermined number of web-sites, if it is determined that the number of selected web-sites exceeds the predetermined number of web-sites, as recited in independent Claims 42, 46, and 47.

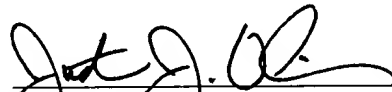
For the foregoing reasons, Applicant requests withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103.

The remaining claims in the present application not already allowed are dependent claims which depend from the independent claims discussed above, and thus are allowable over the documents of record for reasons noted above with respect to those independent claims. In addition, each recites features of the invention still further distinguishing it from the documents of record. Applicant requests favorable and consideration thereof.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance.

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